GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2107
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STATE BANK OF INDIA
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State bank of India has asked the RBI to exclude GDR holding from the 20% limit on foreign holding;

(b) if so, the reaction of the RBI to this proposal;

(c) whether the Government propose to relax such rules affecting all nationalised banks;

(d) to what extent the Government`s hold on nationalised banks is likely to be reduced by this proposal; and

(e) the benefits likely to be achieved by the banks through it ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have forwarded this proposal to Government.

(c): No such proposal is under consideration of Government at present.

(d)&(e): Do not arise.